

# GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD (GMCB)

## Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 21, 2023

1:00 PM

*This meeting was held virtually via Microsoft Teams.*

### Attendance

#### *Board Members*

Owen Foster, JD, Board Chair

Jessica Holmes, PhD

Robin Lunge, JD, MHCDS

David Murman, MD

Thom Walsh, PhD, MS, MSPT

Susan J. Barrett, JD, Executive Director

### Call to Order

GMCB Board Chair Foster called the meeting to order at 1pm.

### Executive Director Report

**Scheduling:** This evening we will have the PCAG from 5-7 and next Monday June 16 is our General Advisory Committee meeting. Information and agendas on these meeting can be found on our website under Committees of the Board tab.

**Public comments:** Currently we are accepting public comments on ACO guidance for 2024, Michelle will review with her presentation the details. We are also accepting comments from the public on the next Vermont All Payer Model agreement with the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation or CMMI. Any comments we receive will be shared with Vermont's Agency of Human Services and the Governor's office as they are leading the negotiations with CMMI.

### Minutes

Board meeting minutes from May 31 and June 14, 2023, were both unanimously approved.

### Presentations

#### **Palliative Care Assessment in Vermont**

(begins @ approx. 00:06:25 in Part 1 recording)

- a. Amanda Hepler, MD, MPH  
Heather Wright, DO, MPH

[Slides from this presentation can be found on our website.](#)

#### **Board Discussion**

(begins @ approx. 00:32:14 in Part 1 recording)

**Health Care Advocate**

Sam Peisch

**Public Comment** (begins @ approx. 00:44:50 in Part 1 recording)

Sharon Gutwin

Ham Davis

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**FY24 Medicare Only ACO Guidance – Potential Vote**

(begins @ approx. 00:51:12 in Part 1 recording)

- a. Julia Boles, Health Policy Advisor, GMCB  
Russ McCracken, Staff Attorney, GMCB

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**Board Discussion**

(begins @ approx. 00:59:40 in Part 1 recording)

The Board determined to leave this topic open for an additional week of public comment.

**Health Care Advocate**

Sam Peisch

**Public Comment** (begins @ approx. 01:18:00 in Part 1 recording)

Ham Davis

*The Board took a break from 2:20-2:30pm.*

**FY24 ACO Budget Guidance and Certification Form Review**

(begins @ approx. 00:01:00 in Part 2 recording)

- b. Michelle Sawyer, Health Policy Project Director, GMCB  
Russ McCracken, Staff Attorney, GMCB

[Slides and related materials for this presentation can be found on our website.](#)

**Board Discussion**

(begins @ approx. 00:41:42 in Part 2 recording)

**Health Care Advocate**

Sam Peisch

**Public Comment** (begins @ approx. 00:57:58 in Part 2 recording)

Ham Davis

A recording of this meeting will be available on the [GMCB YouTube Channel](#).

Sharon Gutwin  
Walter Carpenter  
Abe Berman, Interim CEO, OneCare Vermont

**Old Business** - None

**New Business** - None

**Adjourned** - The Board approved a motion to adjourn at 3:37 pm.

UNAPPROVED